

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated October 24, 2006 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

Claims 3 and 5 are hereby amended and claims 9-11 are withdrawn from consideration. Accordingly, claims 1 to 8 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. The Applicant respectfully disagrees. Nevertheless, the claim has been amended to further clarify the already definite subject matter and not to overcome prior art. In addition, claim 3 has been amended since the term “reference eccentricity” lacks antecedent basis. Accordingly, Applicant requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

The Office Action rejects claims 1 to 7 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 7,059,002 to Lee et al (hereinafter “Lee”). The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

The Applicant submits that Lee cannot be used as prior art against the present patent application. The present application claims foreign priority to Korean patent application No. 10-2002-0073605 filed in the Korean Patent Office on November 25, 2002. Lee has a filing date of December 30, 2002, which is after the priority date of the present application. Therefore, the rejection is improper and the Applicant requests the rejection be withdrawn.

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In order for the record to be complete, the Applicant will submit an English translation of Korean patent application No. 10-2002-0073605 and a statement of accuracy in due course.

The Office Action rejects claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Lee. The Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. For at least the reasons as discussed above, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes the foregoing amendments place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

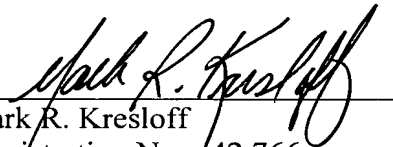
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